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Good afternoon,

I live in the Lake Wylie and my water is supplied by the former Carolina Water Service. My current water bill is already extremely high. As more and more of my relatives look to relocate to this area I always tell them the same thing... "don't move to the lake wylie unless you are prepared to pay around \$200 / month for water". Most of them balk at this and look to other areas like Morganton, NC.

I know my property now in Lake Wylie costs me an exorbitant amount to maintain. Then when the utilities are added on top of that it is a large sum. I understand that all areas are different but so many people can't all be wrong. Why is it that when you tell someone what the water rates are here they raise their eyebrows in disbelief? And that is at the current rates. If anything they should be lowered.

I also have a business here in Lake Wylie and rent a 2,400 square foot space. As situations like this go unheeded by our leaders I move closer and closer toward relocating. Now I won't posture and say a raise in the water rates will make me move but it is just another reason to not consider Lake Wylie for long term residence for me and my family.

And if / when I move.. I will be relocating my business as well. I know several of the employees have already stated that they would be willing to move.

Thank you for your time.

Regards,
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